



National Pollution Funds Center
Funding Today for a Cleaner Tomorrow

National Pollution Funds Center and the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund

RRT4 Spring Meeting
May 2026



Major Missions of the NPFC

- ❖ Administer the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund (OSLTF)
 - Provide Funding for Oil Removal Activities and the Initiation of Natural Resource Damage Assessments (NRDA) Related to Oil Discharges
 - Pay Claims for Loss and Damage from Oil Discharges
 - **Recover Costs from Responsible Parties**
- ❖ Administer the Certificate of Financial Responsibility (COFR) Program
- ❖ CERCLA Funding Manager for the Coast Guard



NPFC Case Teams

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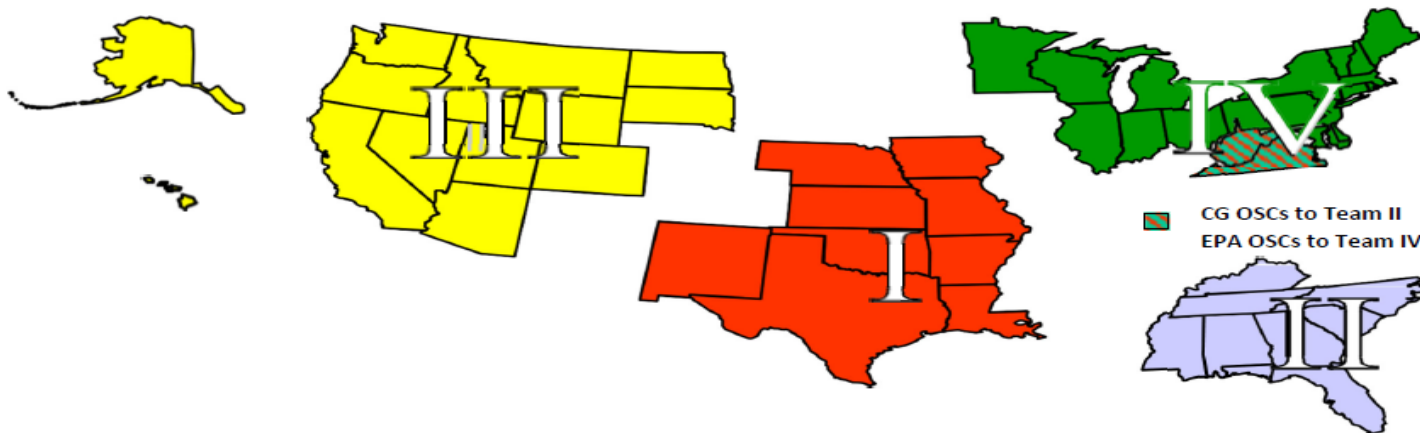
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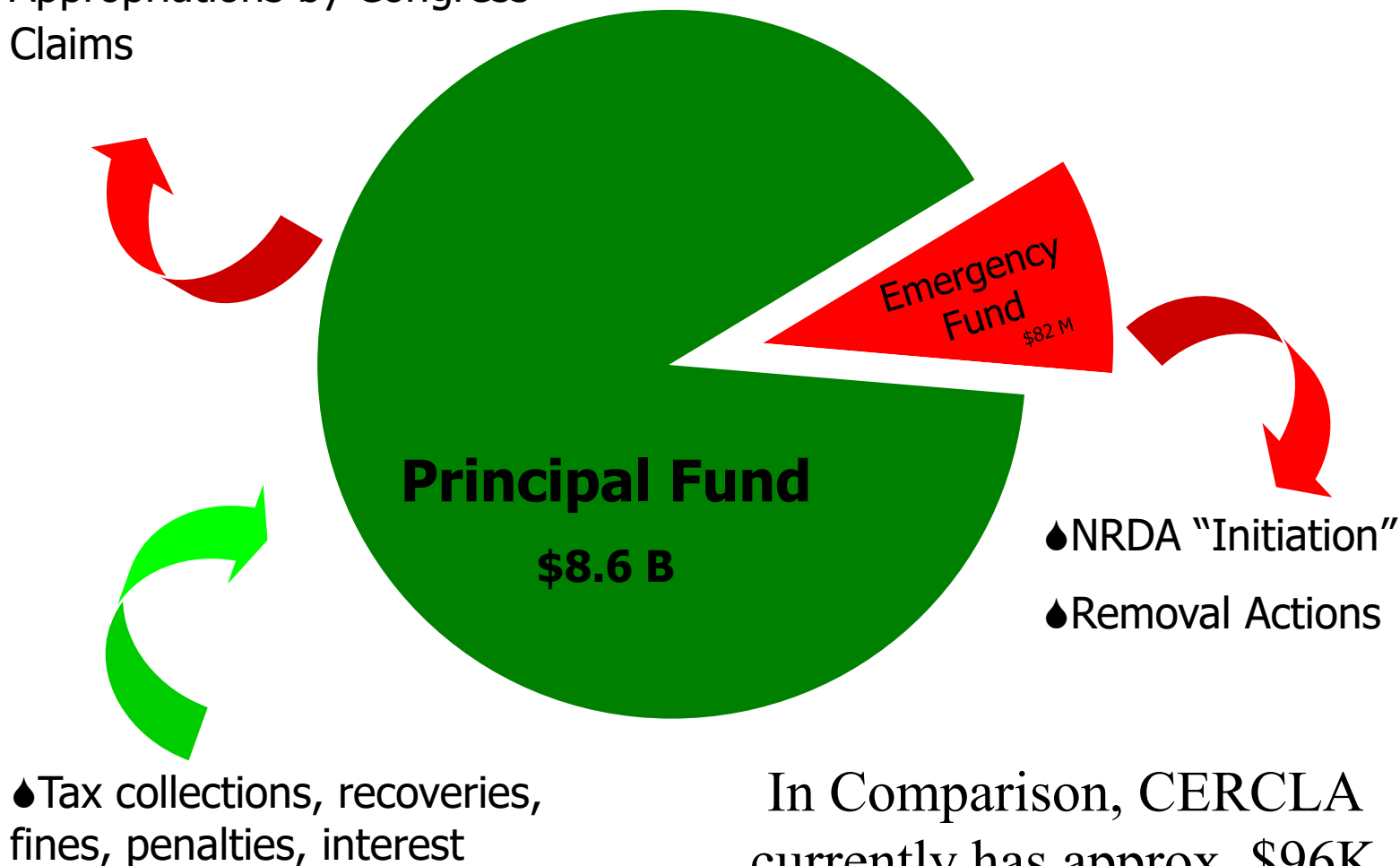
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8 Billion Dollar Fund

- Appropriations by Congress
- Claims



In Comparison, CERCLA currently has approx. \$96K available



Four Phases of Response Operations

- ❖ Phase I - Discovery or Notification.
(Not funded by OSLTF)
- ❖ Phase II - Preliminary Assessment & Initiation of Action.
- ❖ Phase III - Containment, Countermeasures, Cleanup & Disposal.
- ❖ Phase IV - Documentation & Cost Recovery.



Threshold Issues



- ❖ Is the substance oil?
- ❖ Is there a discharge or substantial threat of a discharge of oil?
- ❖ Is the discharge or threat of discharge into navigable waters?



Substantial Threat

Complex assessment & evaluation of incident by the Federal On-Scene Coordinator

OSLTF may be used to respond to substantial threats of discharge of oil

The Federal On-Scene Coordinator has sole authority to make these determinations

The FOSC determines when threat has been mitigated

Determinations have significant funding and liability implications for Marine Environmental Responses and Responsible Parties



What is a “Substantial Threat of a Discharge of Oil?”



A substantial threat can be considered the real and immediate probability of a discharge due to the occurrence of some extraordinary and undesired event outside the scope of normal operations which continues; or is apt to continue to deteriorate until intervention to stabilize present conditions can be accomplished and before the threat may be eliminated. There is a near term uncertainty of stabilizing conditions and eliminating the threat before an actual discharge occurs.



Factors to Consider

1. The likelihood of a discharge under the circumstances; that the situation presents an unacceptable probability that a discharge will occur without FOSC intervention.
2. The proximity to navigable waters, the quantity of oil which may be discharged, and the lack of barriers to stop the oil from flowing to the water indicate that a spill will impact navigable waters.
3. The flow path to surface waters (for land based discharges) as indicated by slope, soil permeability, water table, storm drains, curtain drains, natural or manufactured conduits, or the like.



Factors to Consider (continued)

4. The condition of or damage to the source, and the environmental factors or weather which may change the conditions, indicate that a spill will occur.
5. The potential impact of a discharge on the particular environment, including proximity to environmentally sensitive areas, populous areas, etc.
6. That action must be taken quickly to prevent a spill.



Substantial Threat Determinations Have Endpoints

- ❖ FOSC determines response actions appropriate under the NCP
- ❖ Substantial threat determinations have discrete chronological endpoints
- ❖ OPA/OSLTF costs (and OPA claims potential) accrue until the threat has been mitigated



Substantial Threat Documentation

- ❖ NOFI
- ❖ CANAPS FPN Notification Message
- ❖ SITREP-POL (Subject line)
- ❖ Decision Memo
- ❖ ADMIN / COTP Order
- ❖ NOFA
- ❖ ICS Forms 201/202/202A/204/209/IAP



Substantial Threat Guidance

MERMAN Chapter 9.5, App J

NPFC Policy Doc Cm13

NPFC TOPS for determining removal costs

Your NPFC Case Officer

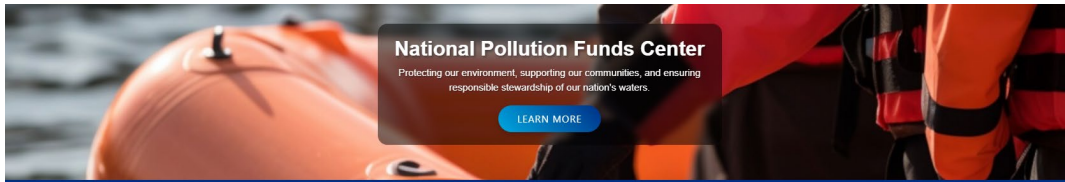
CLEARLY DOCUMENT YOUR DETERMINATION

Consider issuing an Admin Order to the RP

40 CFR 300.322: Substantial Threat to public health & welfare of the U.S. rare & large spills – often misunderstood & misused by Sectors



CANAPS Interface



National Pollution Funds Center
Protecting our environment, supporting our communities, and ensuring responsible stewardship of our nation's waters.

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Our Core Services

As millions of gallons of oil are transported and stored across the United States every day, we provide comprehensive services to protect our environment and ensure accountability in case of oil spills.

CANAPS

CANAPS enables authorized USCG and EPA FOSCs to access funds, request project numbers, budgets, amend ceilings, and manage pollution removal actions.

ECOFR

Managing Certificates of Financial Responsibility for vessels, fleets, and masters, ensuring accountability for potential oil spill cleanup and damages.

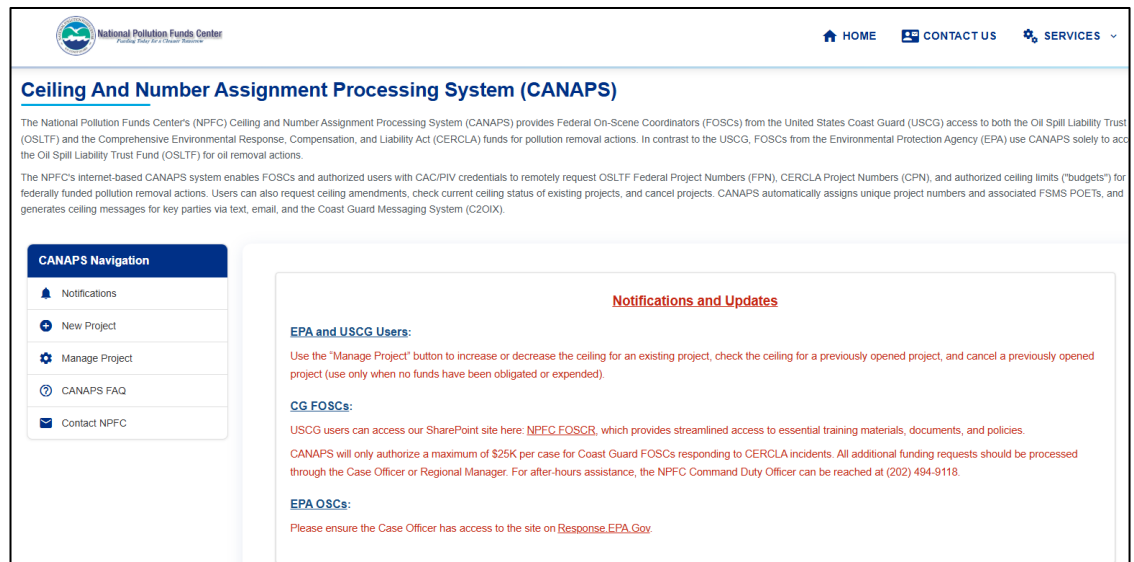
[Active Vessel](#) [Active Fleet](#)
[Active Master](#)

CLAIMS PROCESSING

Adjudicating claims for uncompensated removal costs, damages to property, loss of profits, and other oil spill-related expenses through the OSLTF.

NRD INITIATIVES

Supporting Natural Resource Damage assessment and restoration efforts, ensuring the protection and recovery of environments affected by oil spills.



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Ceiling And Number Assignment Processing System (CANAPS)

The National Pollution Funds Center's (NPFC) Ceiling and Number Assignment Processing System (CANAPS) provides Federal On-Scene Coordinators (FOSCs) from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) access to both the Oil Spill Liability Trust (OSLTF) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) funds for pollution removal actions. In contrast to the USCG, FOSCs from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) use CANAPS solely to access the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund (OSLTF) for oil removal actions.

The NPFC's internet-based CANAPS system enables FOSCs and authorized users with CAC/PIV credentials to remotely request OSLTF Federal Project Numbers (FPN), CERCLA Project Numbers (CPN), and authorized ceiling limits ("budgets") for federally funded pollution removal actions. Users can also request ceiling amendments, check current ceiling status of existing projects, and cancel projects. CANAPS automatically assigns unique project numbers and associated FSMS POETs, and generates ceiling messages for key parties via text, email, and the Coast Guard Messaging System (C2OIX).

CANAPS Navigation

- Notifications
- New Project
- Manage Project
- CANAPS FAQ
- Contact NPFC

Notifications and Updates

EPA and USCG Users:
Use the "Manage Project" button to increase or decrease the ceiling for an existing project, check the ceiling for a previously opened project, and cancel a previously opened project (use only when no funds have been obligated or expended).

CG FOSCs:
USCG users can access our SharePoint site here: [NPFC.FOSCR](#), which provides streamlined access to essential training materials, documents, and policies. CANAPS will only authorize a maximum of \$25K per case for Coast Guard FOSCs responding to CERCLA incidents. All additional funding requests should be processed through the Case Officer or Regional Manager. For after-hours assistance, the NPFC Command Duty Officer can be reached at (202) 494-9118.

EPA OSCs:
Please ensure the Case Officer has access to the site on [Response.EPA.Gov](#).



When should you open a Federal Project?

If you have determined there is an OPA incident AND

- you need to conduct Phase II, III or IV activities; or
- you need to monitor RP efforts; or
- you need to bring in support elements (NSF, IMAT, NPFC, etc.); or
- If the FOSC invests more than \$3,500 in Indirect costs (CG people, travel, aircraft, NOAA SSC);

- *A responsible party's actions, in itself, should not be considered when contemplating whether or not to open a Federal Project;*

- *NPFC's ability to administer OPA is adversely impacted if the FOSC doesn't create a Federal Project!*



Does CERCLA Apply?

- IF
 - ❖ Hazardous Substance or unknown Pollutant or Contaminant
 - ❖ Released into the environment
 - ❖ Imminent and substantial danger to public health and/or environment
 - ❖ USCG FOSC



Ceiling Management

Direct vs. Indirect Costs

- ❖ Direct Costs (count against ceiling)
 - Contractor Costs
 - Travel Orders
 - Purchases
 - PRFA/MIPR
 - Reserve Orders/Salary
 - Auxiliary



Ceiling Management

Direct vs. Indirect Costs

- ❖ Indirect Costs (CG Assets):
 - CG Personnel
 - Government Vehicles
 - CG Cutters / Boats
 - CG Aircraft
 - MSL sample analysis

- ❖ Indirect costs do not count against ceiling

- ❖ Indirect costs are billable!

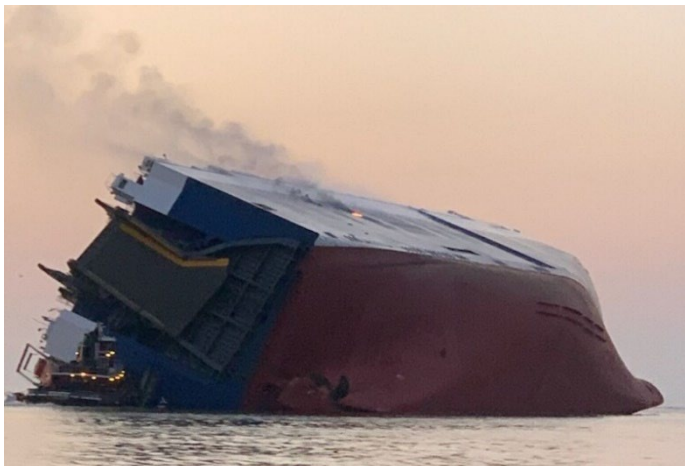
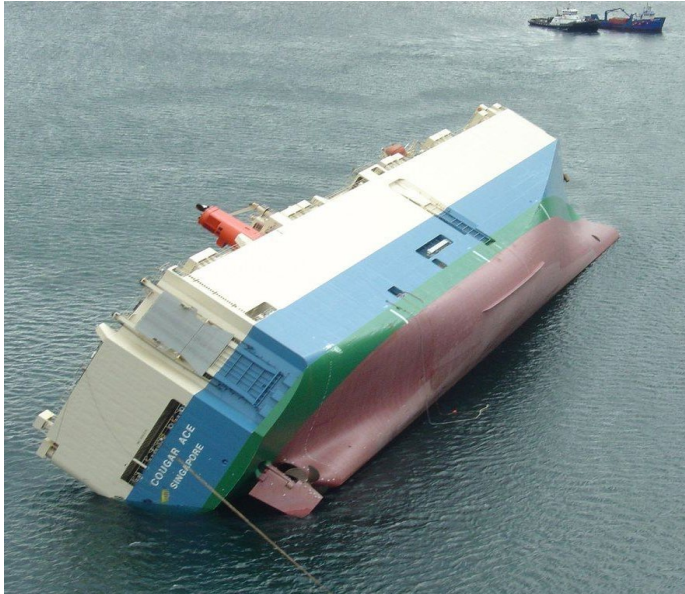


Funding Mechanisms

- ❖ Contracts (BOA/Non-BOA)
- ❖ Pollution Removal Funding Authorization (PRFA)
 - EPA can contact NPFC for PRFA assistance
 - CG utilizes their Logistics Shop
- ❖ Initiate IAG – NRDA Activities, not removal
 - Contact NPFC
- ❖ Uncompensated Removal Cost Claims
 - Contact NPFC



PRFA



- ❖ Used to reimburse governmental agencies for costs incurred supporting removal activities
 - ❖ Federal PRFA's are issued for federal agencies support
 - ❖ Non-federal PRFA's are issued for:
 - ❖ States
 - ❖ Cities
 - ❖ Tribal interests
 - ❖ Counties
 - ❖ Territories



PRFA

- ❖ The PRFA obligates the OSLTF for payment, by reimbursement, of costs incurred in response activities.
- ❖ Under the PRFA, an FOSC may agree to reimburse:
 - ❖ Personnel salary costs; including overtime
 - ❖ Travel and per diem
 - ❖ Charges for agency owned equipment
 - ❖ Actual expenses for contractor/vendors for supplied goods to support FOSC.
- ❖ FOSC provides a Statement of Work to describe required actions.
- ❖ FOSC and OGA must agree to specific goods/services and agency must provide a good faith estimate of anticipated costs with individual line items. This is made as an attachment to PRFA.



PRFA limitations

- ❖ PRFAs cannot be used to obtain goods or services directly from private individuals, groups, or companies. Only OGAs.
 - ❖ If a company needs to be hired, utilize your contracting offices as appropriate.
- ❖ PRFAs are not used for Natural Resources Damage Assessments (NRDA).
 - ❖ If an agency approaches the you for a NRDA initiate, contact your case officer.
- ❖ PRFAs are not used for assessment actions.
- ❖ PRFAs are not used for payment of damages.
 - ❖ If approached by individuals or agencies about damages or claims, contact your case officer.

PRFA
SAMPLE STATEMENT OF WORK FOR REMOVAL ACTIONS

The task list below addresses the specific removal actions that are ordered through PRFA's (Pollution Removal Funding Authorization) in support of FOSC's/OSC's. When modification or amendment to this PRFA is required, the "Amendment to Pollution Removal Funding Authorization" shall be used and a new task list shall be assigned if new tasking is identified.

The recipient agency of the PRFA shall perform the following (as identified by the appropriate check marks below):

- collect facts regarding the discharge of oil into navigable waters, to include its source and cause;
 - identify potentially responsible parties (RP's);
 - analyze the nature, amount, and location of discharged oil;
 - analyze the probable direction and time of travel of discharged oil;
 - identify pathways to human and environmental exposure;
 - provide analysis of discharges posing a substantial threat to the public health or welfare of the United States;
 - provide temporary/permanent stabilization prior to the mobilization of other responders;
 - provide appropriate personnel, equipment, and supplies to contain and remove discharged oil from navigable waters and shoreline;
 - document all site-specific costs incurred by the contractor and the recipient agency for the removal actions;
 - identify active or historical facility processes or operations that may have contributed to the discharge of oil;
 - prepare a sampling plan that describes the number, type, and location of samples and the type of analysis (for example, sampling and analysis plans for collection of multimedia environmental samples; petrochemical product or waste oil or crude oil);
 - collect representative oil sample(s) and submit them to the U. S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Lab for appropriate analyses;
 - develop site specific Health and Safety Plans (HSP's);
 - review, prepare, and submit all required accounting/accounting records in accordance with the National Pollution Funds Center (NPFC) Instruction 16451, "Technical Operating Procedures for Resource Documentation under the Oil Pollution Act (OPA) of 1990";
 - submit Pollution Reports (POLREPS) at periodic intervals as specified by the issuing FOSC/OSC;
 - provide daily progress reports and/or consultations to the OSC/FOSC, as necessary;
 - develop health and safety procedures for response activities, such as OSHA levels of protection associated with a site;
 - recommend cleanup and disposal options;
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PRFA Flow Chart

- 1) FOSC Requires assistance from OGA for removal activities.
- 2) FOSC provides a blank PRFA and Completed Statement of Work to OGA for specific required removal actions.
- 3) OGA provides a good faith estimate with PRFA with their information.
- 4) FOSC provides unit obligating offices-
 - i. FPN notification message with POET (accounting string) information
 - ii. Include link to step-by-step guide to obligate against the project fund.
- 5) PRFA Ceiling management.
 - i. OGA's are only authorized to be reimbursed for the amount authorized by the FOSC.
 - ii. If they exceed their ceiling their agency is responsible for any excess costs. (Unless specifically requested by FOSC and amended into PRFA.)



PRFA Flow Chart

- iii. OGA must reach out to FOSC when approaching ceiling and provide support for additional funding. FOSC can amend existing PRFA to update ceiling.
- 6) After agency actions are completed, OGA provides cost documentation (similar to that of a BOA contractor)
- 7) FOSC certifies those invoices with signature and date.
 - i. In certifying an invoice, the FOSC is not verifying the cost categories but attesting that the goods and services are consistent with those agreed upon and authorized.
 - ii. “I certify that this agency performed removal activities in accordance with the issued Pollution Removal Funding Authorization and reimbursement of costs is authorized, unless otherwise indicated”
- 8) Submit the entire PRFA package to the NFPC after certifying agency invoices.
- 9) FOSC will de-obligate any remaining funds on obligation.
- 10) Include PRFA and PRFA package as enclosure when submitting IRAT at case closure.



RP Identification

- ❖ Level of proof should be equivalent to what's required for a **Civil Penalty**.
- ❖ Documentation- State Registration, bill of sale, agreements of use, etc.
- ❖ NVDC Docs, Witness Statement, Driver's License, MMDs, paperwork marina has on vessel. Take photos of documentation if you can't get copies
- ❖ If you don't have it don't put someone down on the IRAT/Cost Doc
- ❖ Discuss Potential RP with your Case Officer before IRAT submission



RP Identification

- ❖ Use your Intel Shops for help in contact information.
- ❖ Properly document contact info when issuing correspondence to potential RPs.
- ❖ Trust but verify third party accounts of ownership/operation.
- ❖ Document the issuance and receipt of any and all correspondence, including:
 - ❖ Notice of Federal Interest
 - ❖ Administrative Order
 - ❖ Notice of Federal Assumption



Decision Memo

- ❖ Tool for documenting major decisions by an FOSC.
- ❖ Expands on decision process that can be reviewed if a case goes to litigation in the future.
- ❖ No template for the document is available as every situation is unique.
- ❖ Engage your NPFC case officer and your District attorney for input and review before finalizing for FOSC
- ❖ NPFC has many examples to share



Decision Memo

American Samoa Government
The Honorable Lolo Letalu Matalasi Moliga
P. O. Box 1539
Pago Pago, AS 96799

Dear Governor Moliga:

On February 05, 2018, the Commercial Fishing Vessel (CFV) CHU ZAI FA No.1 grounded in Leone, American Samoa. It was determined the vessel had been adrift on the high seas since November 2017 after a fire onboard forced the crew to abandon the vessel. The vessel was believed to have a total fuel capacity of 30,000 gallons and needed to be evaluated for its pollution potential to determine if it posed a substantial threat of a discharge of oil to the waters of the United States.

Yesterday, my team completed their assessment of the CFV CHU ZAI FA No.1, and after a thorough examination of its tanks, determined the vessel did not contain any oil. Therefore, as the Federal On-Scene Coordinator, I have determined that the vessel does not pose a substantial threat of a discharge of oil to the waters of the United States and I must begin to demobilize my team. With the pollution threat eliminated, primary responsibility for the disposition of the vessel shifts from the U.S. Coast Guard to the vessel's owner in coordination with the local government. To facilitate this transition, my staff is engaging with members of the Port Administration, Department of Marine Wildlife Resources, American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency, SOLAR, and the vessel owner's representative to discuss this shift in responsibility.

In order to assist your government with its oversight responsibility, I am making members of my staff available for consultation to provide technical assistance in reviewing any plans submitted by the vessel owner. Additionally, I am contacting the vessel owner's representatives to remind them of their obligation to provide a plan to you that outlines their efforts to remove and/or dispose of their vessel. Finally, I am meeting with diplomatic officials of Taiwan to emphasize the owner's responsibilities and the importance of their actions in resolving this situation.

I understand sir the current challenges faced by the government of American Samoa and the Port Administration regarding this issue. Thank you for your continued partnership in managing the inherent risks associated with this operation.

Sincerely,



Case Package

- ❖ NPFC Case Package Incident Report and Transmittal (IRAT)
 - The FOSC should prepare and submit this report and appropriate enclosures within **120 days** after completion of removal activities.
 - Anytime a response is expected to last for an extended period of time (90 days or more), interim reports should be submitted at **30 day intervals** or as required by the NPFC Regional Manager.
- ❖ All enclosures submitted at same time if possible.
- ❖ Utilize DoD Safe for submittal to your case officer.
 - ❖ Password protect any PII information as per USCG Standards.
- ❖ If unable to submit within 120 days after completion, notify your case officer via email before hand for visibility.

Use your Case Officer as a resource.



Certificates of Financial Responsibility

Department of Homeland Security
United States Coast Guard
National Pollution Funds Center
Arlington VA 22203-1804

No. 838212-15

**VESEL CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
(WATER POLLUTION)**

Vessel Operator
ABC SHIPPING CORPORATION

has established evidence of financial responsibility, in accordance with 33 CFR 138, to meet liability under section 1002 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and under section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, which may result from the operation of the vessel named below:

Name of Vessel
PEQUOD

Effective Date: 04MAR2004
Expiration Date: 04MAR2007

The use of this certificate is subject to the provisions of Part 138 of Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as it is or may be amended, and the conditions on the reverse side of this certificate. This certificate is invalid if there are any erasures or alterations hereon (except permitted by 33 CFR 138), and is void if the operator named hereon is not the party responsible for operating the vessel.


Kate D. Bilby
Chief, Vessel Certification
National Pollution Funds Center
By Direction

- ❖ Enhance the “polluter pays” concept
- ❖ Assure that the responsible party (RP) has resources to pay removal costs and damages up to OPA limits of liability
- ❖ Operational control
 - 300 GT
 - Denial of Entry
 - Legitimacy of operations



Notice of Designation

- ❖ **FOSC** identifies the source of a discharge and contacts the NFPC when the potential for claims exists.
- ❖ The NPFC will notify the RP with a Notice of Designation letter.
- ❖ RP has 05 days withing notice to deny in writing.
- ❖ If the RP denies designation, NPFC will work with FOSC for claims advertisement and claims in their place.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security United States Coast Guard		DIRECTOR NATIONAL POLLUTION FUNDS CENTER	US COAST GUARD STOP 7100 4200 WILSON BLVD STE 1000 ARLINGTON VA 20598-7100 Staff Symbol: Ca Phone: 202-493-6831 Toll-Free: 1-800-358-2897 Ext. 36831 FAX: 202-493-6937 Email: Thomas.S.Morrison@uscg.mil
			16480 April 28, 2010
CERTIFIED MAIL: 7008 3230 0001 9575 2556			
BP Exploration & Production Inc. 200 Westlake Park Boulevard Houston, TX 77079			
RE: DEEPWATER HORIZON FPN: N10036			
Dear Sir:			
<p>On or about April 21, 2010 an incident under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, 33 USC § 2701 et. seq., occurred approximately 45 miles offshore from Louisiana on Mississippi Canyon Block 252 in the Gulf of Mexico. The incident involved an explosion and fires on the Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit (MODU) Deepwater Horizon, which subsequently sank. Our information indicates that the resulting oil discharges include discharges from the MODU on or above the surface of the water as well as ongoing discharges of oil from the well head. This notice designates the offshore facility as a source of an oil discharge pursuant to 33 USC § 2714 (a) and notifies BP Exploration & Production Inc., a responsible party, of its responsibility to advertise for claims. By copy of this letter, we are also notifying your guarantor, BP Corporation North America Inc., of this designation and its responsibility for advertising.</p> <p>Unless you deny designation pursuant to 33 USC § 2714 (b) you must publicly advertise this designation and the procedures by which claims may be presented to you. The advertisement must begin within 15 days of the date of this letter and must continue for no less than 30 days. Enclosure (1) outlines the required content of this advertisement and enclosure (2) is a sample advertisement. You may choose to follow this sample but are not required to do so as long as your advertisement contains the required information. Your advertisement must be disseminated in such a manner that all potential claimants are notified. To accomplish this, we require that you advertise in the newspaper(s) having general circulation in the area(s) where claimants may be affected. We also require that you post notices in marinas, marine supply stores, bait and tackle shops located in the areas impacted by the incident. You must also provide direct notification where individuals have been identified as receiving damages from your spill. You may propose other methods of advertisement and notification, but they may be used only when approved in advance by the National Pollution Funds Center. The advertisement must note that a claimant may present a claim for interim short-term damages representing less than the full amount to which the claimant ultimately may be entitled. And that payment of such claim shall not preclude recovery for damages not reflected in the paid or settled partial claim. Because of the potential magnitude of this incident additional advertising may be required.</p> <p>You are directed to inform us of the specifics of your advertising, including the name of any newspaper(s) or other publication(s) in which the advertisements run, the geographical area covered by the publications, and how often the advertisement will appear, as appropriate. Send us copies of the advertisement and advise us in writing that you have begun advertising within 20 days of receipt of this letter. If we do not receive these documents, we will assume that you did not comply. If you do not comply with these requirements, the National Pollution Funds Center will advertise for claims. If we advertise, you will be charged for our costs, as well as for the costs of any administration, adjudication, and payment of claims.</p>			



Advertisements

Sample Advertisement

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 USC 2714(c)), the VESSEL/FACILITY NAME, owned and/or operated by RP NAME, has been named as the source of a discharge of oil into the BODY OF WATER on or about INCIDENT DATE. This spill impacted the INCIDENT LOCATION area, and as the RP TYPE (i.e. Owner and/or Operator) of the vessel/facility, RP NAME is accepting claims for certain uncompensated damages and removal costs.

Removal costs and damages which may be compensated include removal costs performed in accordance with the National Contingency Plan; damage to natural resources; damage to or loss of real or personal property; loss of subsistence use of natural resources; loss of government revenues; loss of profits and earnings capacity; and increased cost of public services.

Claims should be in writing, signed by the claimant, for a specified amount; and should include all evidence to support the damages. Claims presented may include claims for interim short-term damages representing less than the full amount to which the claimant ultimately may be entitled. It should be noted that payment of such a claim shall not preclude recovery for damages not reflected in the paid or settled partial claims. Claims should be mailed to the following address:

[Address to which claims should be sent]

Office hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM ET, Monday through Friday, except holidays. Claimants may call [Telephone number for claims] for information.

Any claims which are denied or which are not resolved within 90 days after the date of submission to our claims representative may be submitted to:

Director
National Pollution Funds Center (CA)
US COAST GUARD STOP 7605
2703 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR AVE SE
WASHINGTON, DC 20593-7605

- ❖ Advertisements must begin with 15 days of NOD and continue for no less than 30 days..
- ❖ NPFC will work with the FOSC to determine best place to advertise that all potential claimants are notified.
 - ❖ Newspaper
 - ❖ Online
 - ❖ Posted near marinas,
 - ❖ Etc.



SERVICES NPFC CAN PROVIDE DURING A SPILL

- ❖ Spokesperson for all OSLTF access, documentation, and claims issues
- ❖ Assure ceiling levels are adequate
- ❖ Assist with financial reporting
- ❖ Assist in RP identification
- ❖ Help the Finance Section succeed
- ❖ Provide legal advice in coordination w/ FOSC's lawyers
- ❖ Provide COFR & Guarantor information
- ❖ Provide info on RPs' Limits of Liability
- ❖ Prepare Notice of Designation
- ❖ Ensure OPA claims are addressed by RP or NPFC
- ❖ Negotiate & execute PRFAs
- ❖ Negotiate, execute, & coordinate INRDA IAG w/FLAT



SERVICES NPFC **CANNOT** PROVIDE DURING A SPILL

- ❖ NPFC case officers are not contracting officers; DOL-92 KOs will help you
- ❖ NPFC case officers will not serve as your FSC or LSC
- ❖ NPFC case officers will not serve as your Time Unit Leader or Cost Unit Leader
- ❖ NPFC case officers will not validate utilization of resources
- ❖ Unit WQSB should address initial logs & finance staffing
- ❖ Request NSF & IMAT staffing; esp. for Type 2 & 1 incidents



Final thoughts from a Case Officer's prospective

- ❖ Know your Case Officer.
 - ❖ Contact us at any time for questions or concerns. It is easier to address a problem early than after the fact.
- ❖ Get complete contact information for Potential Responsible Parties; phone, email, address. Get FULL name, SSN, DL #, age (DOB) if at all possible
- ❖ Get reliable statements from trustworthy third parties (marina managers, harbormasters, local LEOs, etc.)
- ❖ Final SITREP-POL
- ❖ Call your Case Officer if questions arise about Claims or NRDA.
- ❖ Case Officer update if not able to submit within 120 days

QUESTIONS?